CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication:	C64EDB7109D1FCCDE4C3E2028B93F419
Other known title(s):	Not stated
OFLC ref:	1700214.011
Medium:	Computer Image File
Publisher:	Not stated
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Language:	Not applicable
Applicant:	Commissioner of Police
Classification:	Objectionable.
Descriptive note:	None
Display conditions:	None
Date of entry in Register:	16 June 2017
Date of direction to issue a label:	No direction to issue a label has been issued
Date of notice of decision:	16 June 2017

Summary of reasons for decision:

The publication tends to promote and support the exploitation of children for sexual purposes and is deemed to be objectionable under s3(2)(a) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993. The image is a photograph of a naked child posed in a sexualised manner. The image is intended for sexual arousal. The availability of such material encourages and reinforces a sexual interest in children. The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and is a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression. The classification reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.